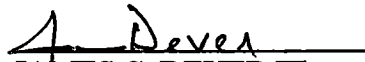


appeal an issue in a magistrate judge's report, a party must object to the finding or recommendation on that issue with sufficient specificity so as reasonably to alert the district court of the true ground for the objection." Martin v. Duffy, 858 F.3d 239, 245 (4th Cir. 2017) (quotation omitted); United States v. Midgette, 478 F.3d 616, 622 (4th Cir. 2007).

The court has reviewed the M&R and the record. The court is satisfied that there is no clear error on the face of the record. See Diamond, 416 F.3d at 315. Thus, the court adopts the conclusion in the M&R that the court lacks subject-matter jurisdiction and dismisses the complaint.

In sum, the court GRANTS plaintiff's application to proceed in forma pauperis [D.E. 1], ADOPTS the conclusions in the M&R [D.E. 4], and DISMISSES plaintiff's complaint for lack of subject-matter jurisdiction. Plaintiff must seek relief in state court. The clerk shall close the case.

SO ORDERED. This 1 day of July 2020.


JAMES C. DEVER III
United States District Judge